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: May 2, 2006

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: Director, Office of Patent Publication

FROM

: Office of the Deputy Commissioner

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SUBJECT

: Withdrawal from Issue of Application No. 09/827,248

Applicant(s)

: David R. Hembree

Application No.

: 09/827,248

Filed

: April 4, 2001

The above-identified application has been assigned Patent No. 7,046,024 and an issue date of May 16, 2006.

It is hereby directed that this application be withdrawn from issue at the request of the applicant.

Do not refund the issue fee.

The following erratum should be published in the Official Gazette if the above-identified application is published in the OG of: May 16, 2006.

"All reference to Patent No. 7,046,024 to David R. Hembree of Idaho for METHODS OF PROCESSING A WORKPIECE, METHODS OF COMMUNICATING SIGNALS WITH RESPECT TO A WAFER, AND METHODS OF COMMUNICATING SIGNALS WITHIN A WORKPIECE PROCESSING APPARATUS appearing in the Official Gazette of May 16, 2006 should be deleted since no patent was granted."

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